

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Monday April 18, 2016

Regular Meeting at 4:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by Chairwoman Krantz at 4:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees convened with members Peggy Krantz, Rey Berrones, DeAngela Velasquez, Bill Siders, **Donovan Fulkerson**, Lorie Mitteer being present. A quorum was established.

Members absent: Priscilla Ornelas, Jessica Parham, Jamie Barnes

Staff present: Laurie Rufe, Interim Director; Sara Woodbury, Curator of Collections and Exhibitions; and Cindy Torrez, Executive Director, RMAC Foundation. Tabitha D. Denney, City Councilor for Ward 5, was present as City liaison.

Guests present: none

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Siders motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Member Berrones seconded. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Velasquez motioned to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2016 Board of Trustees meeting. Member Siders seconded. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Acquisition — Action Item

Discussion and Vote Acquisition to the RMAC Collection:

Acquisition proposal of prints from collection of Warren McKelvy was presented as an action item by Sara Woodbury, Curator of Collections and Exhibitions. McKelvy, a retired physician and longtime Roswell resident, offered to donate several prints by Mexican and Native American artists to the RMAC. The majority of the works consist of lithographs by Francisco Zúñiga (1912-1998), as well as two pieces by Rufino Tamayo (1899-1991), and prints by Fritz Scholder (1937-2005) and R.C. Gorman (1931-2005). Ms. Woodbury shared her opinion of how the prints would expand and diversify the Museum's present holdings of Mexican prints, which currently consists primarily of works by José Guadalupe Posada (1852-1913). She also stated that the donation would underscore not only the ongoing importance of art-collecting within the Roswell community, but also the close relationship between the Museum collection and the philanthropy of area residents.

COMMITTEE VOTE:

Member Fulkerson motioned to accept donation of the prints. Member Berrones seconded. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

Chairwoman Peggy Krantz remarked on the ongoing interview process for the Executive Director, stating that Skype interviews had been completed and on-site visits would occur next. She also emphasized the importance of Trustee attendance and involvement at Museum-related events, particularly the RMAC Foundation's Kentucky Derby fundraiser taking place on May 7.

MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE REPORTS: For the month of March 2016, interim director Laurie Rufe reported that attendance for the month was recorded at 2713 total visitors including classes, Planetarium, meetings, and tours. Membership renewals and new members' figures were presented 690 active members, 4 new members for month of March. Membership dues amounted to \$9,192, with \$6,975 paid. April renewals had been sent out and will be processed.

Ms. Rufe remarked that more greeters and docents are needed, and encouraged Board members to solicit potential volunteers. Curator of Education Amanda Nicholson told the Board that she was revising the current docent description and training process.

DIRECTORS REPORT

Interim Director Laurie Rufe provided a report on updated status of the Curator of Education, Executive Director, and Planetarium and Program and Events information. She discussed grant opportunities for the digitization for the Planetarium, and the upcoming Peter Hurd and Henriette Wyeth retrospective.

Ms. Rufe also reviewed recent current staff changes, including Olga McGuire's resignation as Membership and Event Coordinator, Charles Bentley's retirement as store manager, effective April 29, and the departure of two security guards. Interviews are scheduled for Ms. McGuire's position, and Mr. Bentley may be contracted to assist with the annual inventory. Job postings have been listed for the security positions.

Foundation Report

Ms. Torrez provided the Board members with Roswell Museum and Art Center Foundation Executive Director's Report, including Financial Status, Grants, Fundraising, and Programming/Projects. She discussed the upcoming Kentucky Derby event, scheduled for Saturday, May 7. She also mentioned the Foundation's interest in updating the Planetarium while underscoring the importance of researching all options for refreshing its equipment effectively.

ADJOURN

Member Mitteer motioned to adjourn. Member Siders seconded. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Sara Woodbury, Curator of Collections and Exhibitions